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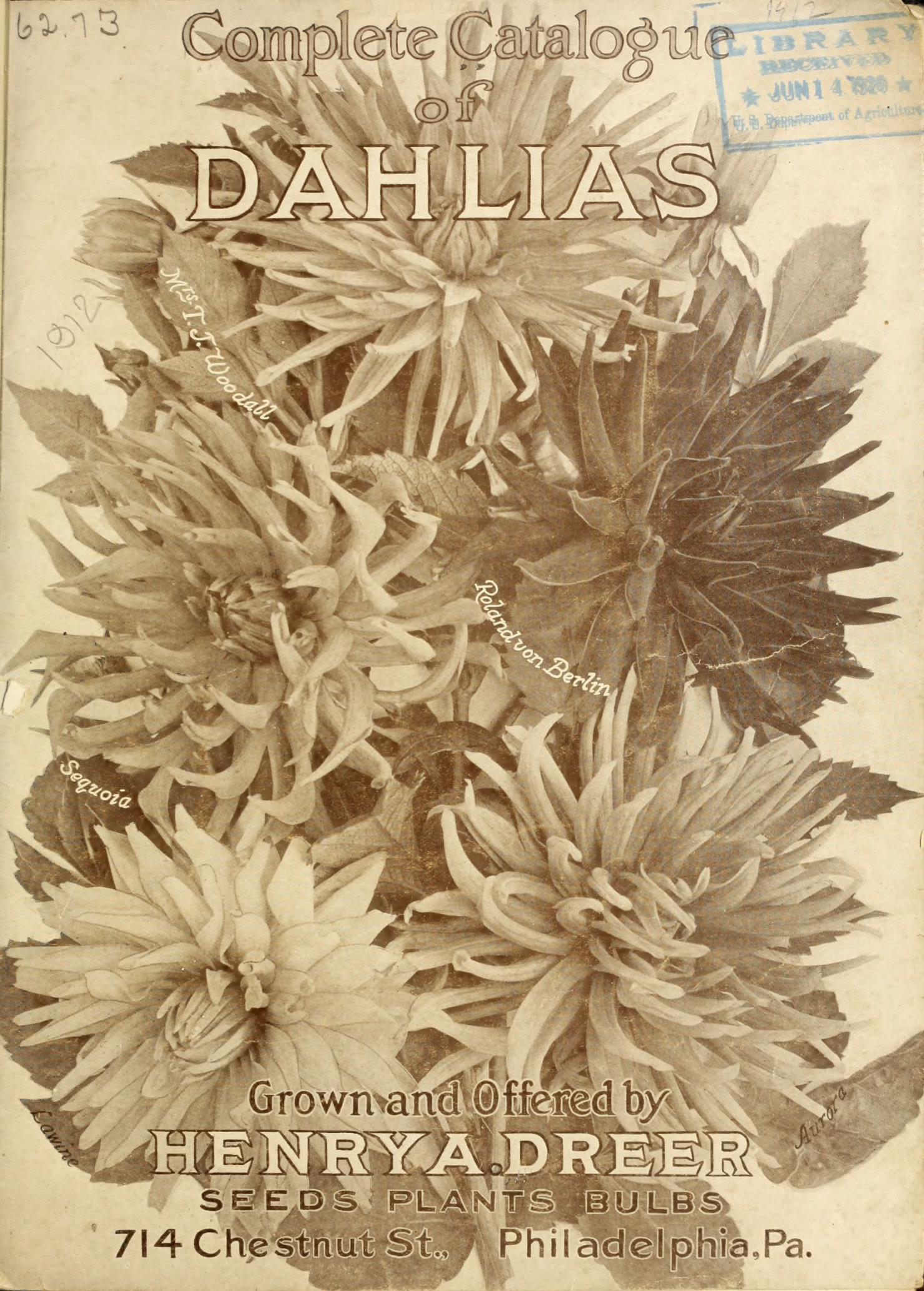

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RIVERTON, RIVERVIEW AND LOCUST FARM NURSERIES, near RIVERTON, N. J.

THE DAHLIA in its many improved forms are now such an important feature in most gardens that we found it necessary to greatly extend our cultures of the same and during the past season we devoted over 40 acres at our new Riverview Nurseries, a short distance from our main Nursery at Riverton, N. J., to their cultivation. This area contained upwards of 300,000 plants and during their long flowering period, which extended from early in August until October 29th when they were cut by frost, (a period of about 3 months), presented what was undoubtedly the greatest show of Dahlias ever seen in this country and was inspected by a large number of our friends and patrons.

We had under trial some 809 varieties of which we had room to offer but 269 sorts in our Garden Book for 1912, this comparatively short list being the kinds which we consider the most desirable for general use. In this special catalogue we offer and describe about 500 varieties which include all the sorts offered in our Garden Book and in addition such other kinds as have proved to possess the requisite free-flowering and other qualities which entitle them to a place in a high-grade collection, and which embraces not only the cream of the old well-tried standard sorts of all types but also the newest introductions gathered together from the many specialists in all countries where Dahlias are grown, and we believe the enlarged list offered in this catalogue is the most complete and up-to-date collection of Dahlias offered this season.

The attention of our customers is respectfully called to the following directions, which will, if followed, be an aid to purchasers as well as to ourselves:

FORWARDING—Dahlia plants and roots can be sent by mail if so desired, but we strongly advise our customers to have them sent by express, as larger and finer plants and roots can be sent in this way, and "extras" are added to help defray charges, and we always ship in this way unless instructed to the contrary. *Plants and Bulbs are now taken by the Express Companies at a reduction of twenty per cent. from the regular rates for merchandise.*

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714 CHESTNUT STREET - PHILADELPHIA, PA.

DREER'S SELECT DAHLIAS

One of Our Leading Specialties

All of the varieties offered in this catalogue are supplied in strong, dormant roots, excepting some of the newer kinds which we can only furnish in plant form and which are noted in the catalogue. These plants are ready to send out between the middle of April and the first of May. As the season advances our supply of roots of some of the older varieties become exhausted in which case green growing plants are sent instead. These will give equally as good results as dormant roots flowering just as freely and many experienced planters prefer them to dormant roots and by the time they are cut by frost in the Autumn they will have produced strong roots which can be carried over winter in the usual way.

A Few Cultural Notes

One of the most important points in the cultivation of the Dahlia is to select a well-drained position where they will receive the full benefit of the sun during the greater part of the day.

As to soil, they are not at all particular, excepting that in the case of a stiff clay some loose material should be added, such as coarse sand, old mortar, or anything which will make the soil loose and friable. The soil must be deeply dug, if possible to a depth of two spades, and a liberal amount of suitable plant food incorporated. For this nothing is more satisfactory than well-decayed stable manure; but where this cannot be conveniently procured pure bone meal, sheep manure, or any chemical fertilizer rich in ammonia and phosphoric acid will answer as a substitute.

The planting of dormant roots in the latitude of Philadelphia may be done at any time between April 25th and June 15th, the earlier planting being preferable. Green or growing plants must not be set out until all danger of frost is over, say May 10th or 15th. Do not crowd your plants, but plant at a distance of not less than 2½ or 3 feet, and, as soon as the shoots appear, remove all but two or three of the strongest, and these, when about a foot high, should be secured to stout stakes.

NEW GERMAN CACTUS DAHLIA, WODAN

NEW GERMAN GIANT CACTUS DAHLIAS

In our fields during the past summer these varieties attracted great attention. Not only are the flowers of very large size, most of them distinct and unique in form, but the habit of the plants is also very vigorous, growing with us about 5 feet high and free-flowering. All will be found desirable additions to any collection.

Nerthus. The centre of the flower is a rich, glowing, bronzy, orange-yellow, passing to a carmine-rose at the tips, the whole suffused with a glowing golden color, which gives it an iridescence which it is not possible to describe.

Rheinkonig. Pure snow-white flowers of splendid form, 5 inches and over in diameter. These are of great substance, lasting splendidly when cut; they are borne on long, stiff stems held well above the foliage, making it as valuable for garden decoration as for cutting.

Vater Rhein. Flowers frequently 7 inches in diameter, raised well above the foliage on stout stems; the petals are broad, curled and twisted, forming an ideal flower, the color of which is yellow, suffused with salmon-rose; a beautiful, attractive and imposing flower.

Wodan. Bold, large, but not coarse flower, frequently 7 inches in diameter; a graceful arrangement of semi-incurved tubular-petals of a pleasing, delicate salmon-rose color, shading to old gold in the centre.

Wolfgang von Goethe. Lage, gracefully-arranged, perfect flowers of a rich apricot, with carmine shadings.

30 cts. each; $3 00 per doz.; $20.00 per 100. The set of 5 varieties for $1.25.

Superb New CACTUS DAHLIAS For 1912

On this and the three following pages, we offer an extensive list of the best of the recent introductions of the world's most noted specialists.

Note.—*These new varieties are supplied in strong growing-plants, ready after April 15th.*

Albanie. Intense brilliant crimson, of dwarf habit and very free.

Ami Philippe Goy. Petals long, narrow, incurved; a perfect shaped flower; ground color deep salmon-red, suffused with pure scarlet, deepening to blood-red on tips; brilliant, rich and pleasing.

Alpenrose. A fine flower, with twisted petals of a bright aniline-red, intensified by a golden yellow suffusion at the base of the petals.

Arthur Pickard. One of the finest light salmon colors, of splendid form, with long, evenly incurving petals. 75 cts. each.

Australian. A brilliant rich purple, with bright crimson suffusion.

Aviator. A pleasing, distinct shade of magenta, of unusual good form on long, wiry stems and very free flowering. 75 cts. each.

Bessie Palliser. Yellow, heavily tipped and edged with red; florets are curled and twisted, making up a large, informally shaped flower. 75 cts. each.

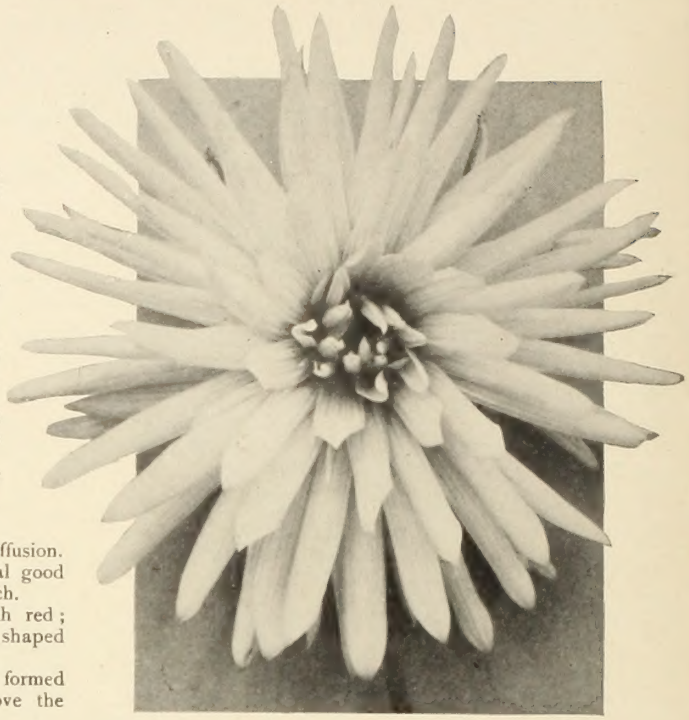
Bismarck. One of the best intense fiery-reds; gracefully formed flower, with incurved petals on stiff stems held well above the foliage. 75 cts. each.

Bugeaud. Flower of immense size and good form, bright blood-red. 75 cts. each.

Canadian. A beautifully incurved flower, centre pale yellow, deepening to a rich shade of pink at the edges. 75 cts. each.

Canari. A pretty, graceful canary-yellow, shading lighter to tips of petals.

Cattleya. A pure cattleya- or orchid-lilac, of splendid form on stiff stems; a fine cut flower. 75 cts. each.



NEW CACTUS DAHLIA, DELICATISSIMA

Chevrefeville. Base of petals yellow, gradually passing to apricot and rose with citron-yellow points. 75 cts. each.

Clara. A delicate soft mauve, with silvery white tips edged with mauve. 75 cts. each.

Clemence Cazalis. Of beautiful form, a delicate mauve suffused with purple towards the tips; a delicate, pleasing combination. 75 cts. each.

Colada. A rich carmine-cerise, shading to crimson at the tips; a well-shaped flower on good wiry stems.

Colombo. Very large incurved flowers, of a solferino-rose with white tinted centre. 75 cts. each.

Comte de Lambert. A grand flower, of a rich carmine-red shaded purple, reverse of petals amaranth-red. 75 cts. each.

Conquest. One of the best all-around dark varieties yet offered; a deep crimson-maroon. 75 cts. each.

Cyrano. Of most graceful light form, with narrow petals of a beautiful strawberry-red with geranium-red reflections. 75 cts. each.

Dawn. Distinct and beautiful, bright yellow at base, gradually deepening to cerise, the tips again lightening to yellow, flowers of fair size and very deep. 75 cts. each.

Daydream. Honey-yellow, with bright yellow centre and salmon-rose shadings; delicate and pretty, of perfect form.

Debutante. Long, narrow, incurved petals, arranged very regularly and of a pleasing soft tint of mauve-pink, passing to white at the centre. 75 cts. each.

Delicatissima. One of the finest; a perfectly formed flower and one of the most delicately colored varieties yet introduced; a splendid cut flower with good stems; color tender Hydrangea-pink, with lighter shadings. (See cut.)

Dibs. A bright shade of rose-pink, each petal tipped old-gold, borne on long stiff stems and very free. 75 cts. each.

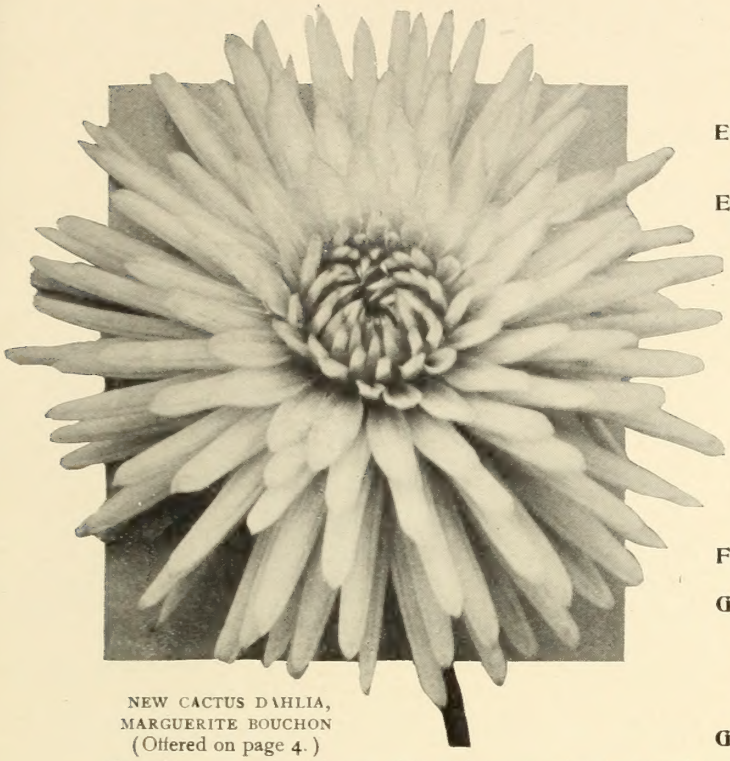
Director Mamille. A fine cactus-shaped flower, perfect in form, rich blood-red, with purplish suffusion.

Dr. G. Kendall. Of immense size and of finest form possible; a rich orange with bright yellow centre. 75 cts. each.

Dornroschen. Of good form, of a pleasing-carmine-rose, shading to almost white at the tips; very free.

NEW CACTUS DAHLIA, GLORY OF WILTS (See page 3)

Price. Any of the above, except where noted, 50 cts. each; $5.00 per doz.



NEW CACTUS DAHLIA, MARGUERITE BOUCHON
(Offered on page 4.)

Gunther. A splendid pure white with broad twisted petals of the purest white, held well above the foliage on stiff stems.

Heideroschen. Very free-flowering with narrow petals forming a most perfect flower of a pleasing rose-color not unlike heather.

Henri Cayeux. Very large flower; when well grown 7 inches in diameter, color old gold shading to golden-yellow. 75 cts. each.

Hermosa. A beautiful shade of mauve, shading lighter towards the tips, a splendid large flower. 75 cts. each.

Her Ladyship. A clean bright mauve-rose of charming form, composed of long slightly incurved petals. 75 cts. each.

High Sheriff. One of the gems; a flower of fine form of a bronzy-rose color passing to a golden-bronze towards the centre, the combination of color giving a glow not found in any other Dahlia.

Humming Bird. Pretty and distinct; ground color clear yellow finishing with pure white tips. 75 cts. each.

H. Wearing. Pure salmon passing to bright amber at the base of the petals, which are long, narrow and straight forming a model flower which is held on long stiff wiry stems. 75 cts. each.

Indomitable. Long, very narrow petals, perfectly incurved forming flowers of the most graceful style; in color a rosy-mauve which is much lighter at the tips, a pleasing shade of colors. 75 cts. each.

Iolanthe. Of evenly incurved form, flowers large and deep of a deep coral-red, each developed floret distinctly tipped with gold. 75 cts. each.

J. B. Fry. A fine large flower, the centre a pale yellow passing at the points of the petals to a light salmon. 75 cts. each.

Johannesburg. A monster in size, yet of excellent form; in color a bright gold with a glittering sheen in sunlight, a splendid Dahlia. $1.50 each.

John Peel. Intensely rich crimson; very large flowers on good stems. 75 cts. each.

Karl Kotte. One of the most beautiful of the autumn tints, a rich reddish-salmon; flowers of perfect cactus form.

Lady Hutton. A dainty flower with long, narrow petals of a soft amber-yellow, lightly suffused with rose on the outer petals; a pleasing soft color combination.

Price. Any of the above, except where noted, 50 cts. each; $5.00 per dozen.

New Cactus Dahlias for 1912

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Echo. Bright tyrian-rose passing to silvery-rose at base of petals, a distinct shade of color, large, moderately incurved regular shaped flower.

Edith Reynolds. Rich bright cerise passing to pale amber at base of petals, flowers large and perfect in form.

Erecta. A rich, reddish-purple, with deep chestnut shadings; the flowers are held erect, of good form and useful for cutting.

Evening Star. A bright terra-cotta at point of petals, the centre being gold, a grand variety.

Fernand Olivet. Remarkably free-flowering, on stiff, wiry stems; brilliant maroon, with scarlet shadings, the centre almost black.

Firebrand. Bright fiery-scarlet, an immense flower with very long petals, forms a conspicuous object in the garden. 75 cts. each.

Fortschritt. Deep blood-red with brilliant scarlet shadings, petals broad, flowers erect on stiff stems.

Frigga. A dainty free-flowering creamy-white with long narrow petals on stiff stems, fine for cutting. 75 cts. each.

Gelber Prinz. A German introduction which comes to us recommended as one of the best Dahlias of German origin; it is described as a deep Marechal Niel-yellow with flowers of immense size, of splendid form, full centre and a splendid cut flower of remarkable lasting qualities, cut blooms having been kept in good condition for three weeks. $1.50 each.

General de Lacroix. A distinct free-flowering salmon-red of good form and very free.

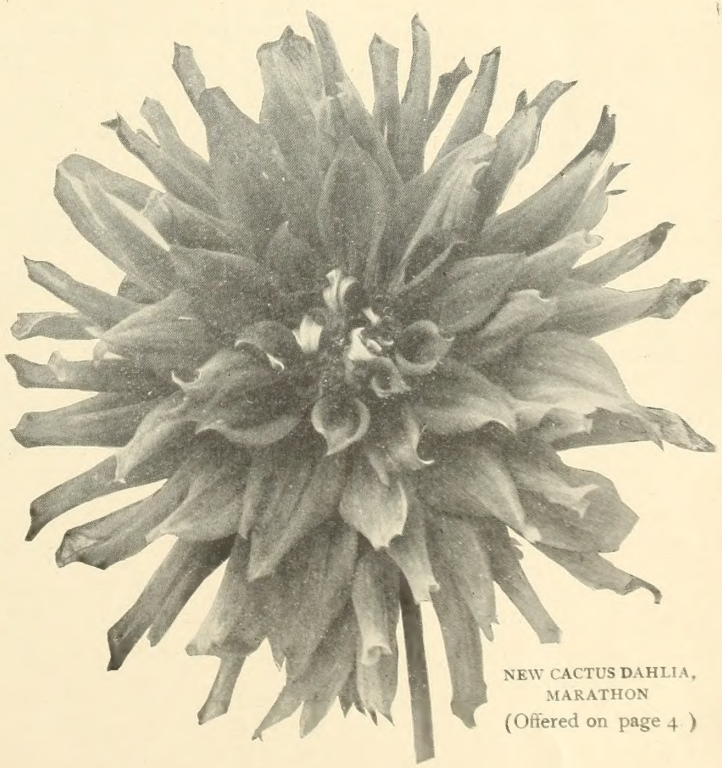
Geneveva. Without question the best yellow Cactus yet introduced; a splendid large flower on good stiff stems; fine for cutting; color a pleasing primrose-yellow; early and free.

Glory of Wilts. A magnificent bright golden-yellow of large size and splendid quality. 75 cts. each. (See cut page 2.)

Goldperle. A pompon Cactus variety; flowers about 2½ inches in diameter; bright primrose-yellow; very free, dwarf.

Goldregen. Very deep yellow of good form and very free.

Gotterfunke. A splendid flower, composed of long, twisted incurved petals, borne on long stems, of a deep blood-red with satin sheen and fiery-red reflex.



NEW CACTUS DAHLIA, MARATHON
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NEW CACTUS DAHLIA, MRS. HENRY R. WIRTH

Mlle. Marie Doucet. Soft mauve color with large white centre, very pretty and floriferous.

Mme. Berthe Gemen. A splendid flower of large size of a rosy currant-red suffused with sparkling naples-yellow on long stiff stems well above the foliage. 75 cts. each.

Mme. Caffin. Apricot with rose-mauve shadings, a well-formed delicately colored flower. 75 cts. each.

Mme. Juhel. A brilliant currant-red marked at the base of the petals with lines of pure white which frequently extends throughout the petals as white stripes, a pretty combination. 75 cts. each.

Mondfee. Pure white with the faintest touch of silvery-rose in suffusion at the tips of the petals; a splendid flower.

Mons. Gemen. A brilliant fiery-red shading deeper to the base of the petals. 75 cts. each.

Mozart. A fine crimson with intense scarlet shadings of good Cactus form on stiff wiry stems.

Mrs. Alfred Dyer. A fine variety with every good quality, color a soft pleasing lemon-yellow at centre, gradually shading to a soft tint of rosy-pink at tips. The flowers are large with narrow incurved petals. 75 cts. each.

Mrs. Henry R. Wirth. We offered this splendid Dahlia in 1910, but the demand was so strong that we were unable to fill all orders, and we were obliged to withdraw it from our catalogue in 1911. We are in position to offer it this season in good plants only, ready May 1st. It is a glorified form of the popular Standard Bearer, having flowers of the same size, but of a more intense, rich, glowing, fiery-scarlet and the freest-flowering high-colored Cactus Dahlia in our grounds; it is not only the first to bloom, but it is loaded with flowers to the end of the season. We consider this a splendid companion to the Countess of Lonsdale, which for years we have recommended as the Dahlia for the million. (See cut.)

Mrs. Pauline MacKenzie. A beautiful autumn-tinted variety; buff with apricot shadings, very pleasing flower of good form; very free. 75 cts. each.

Mrs. T. W. Willis. A very large flower with long narrow petals, white at the centre, the edges and tips being a suffusion of rosy-mauve, delicate and pleasing.

Mycenes. Amber-yellow heavily suffused with salmon with narrow tubular petals.

Price. Any of the above, except where noted, 50 cts. each; $5.00 per doz.

New Cactus Dahlias for 1912

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Libellule. Of splendid form, sulphur-yellow shaded with capucine-red, free-flowering.

Lightship. A splendid yellow with long narrow petals on three feet long stems. 75 cts. each.

Lord Minto. Very symmetrical flowers with long, quilled petals, which are cleft at the tips, giving the flower a grace not found in any other Dahlia; color centre pale yellow, passing to a soft rosy-salmon at the ends of the petals.

Louis Duc. Very large flower with long pointed petals of a cadmium-yellow striped with lemon-yellow. 75 cts. each.

Magnet. Distinct in color, a coppery old-rose with mauve suffusion towards the tips; a fine flower composed of broad petals, tubular towards the tips and more or less curled or twisted. 75 cts. each.

Magpie. A good-shaped flower, maroon heavily tipped white; free and constant. 75 cts. each.

Manon. Flowers of medium size of beautiful Cactus form on long stems; splendid for cutting, of a pleasing canary-yellow, one of the best. 75 cts. each.

Marathon. A brilliant, rich purple, illuminated with higher, brighter shadings; entirely distinct in color. (See cut, page 3.)

Marguerite Bouchon. The most beautiful Cactus Dahlia grown. Absolutely perfect in form, free-flowering, of very large size, the flowers held well above the foliage; color a magnificent shade of brilliant yet soft rose with very large white centre and distinctly defined white tips. (See cut, page 3.) Orders for plants booked in rotation for delivery after May 1st. Stock very limited, $1.50 each.

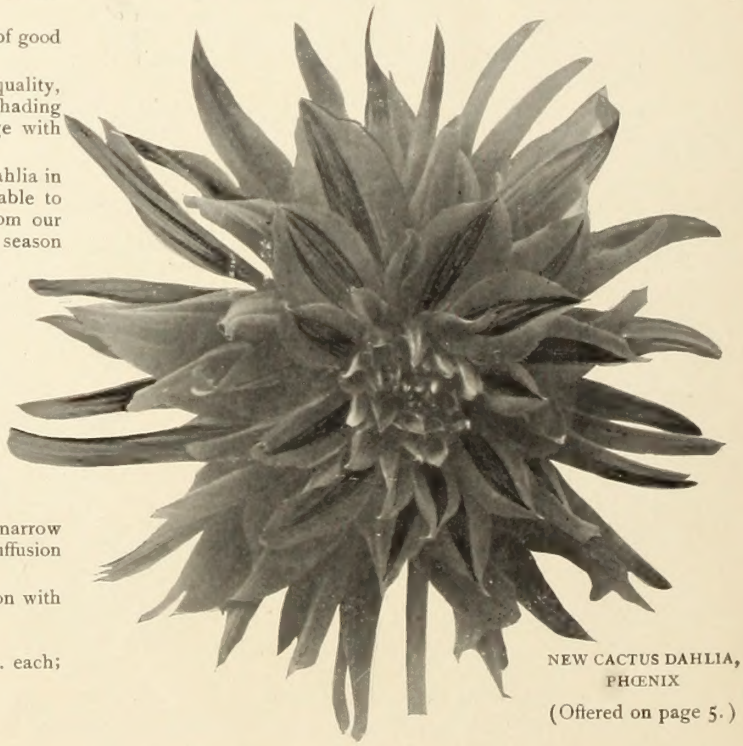
Marjory Seale. Splendid deep buttercup-yellow, an immense flower with long, narrow, straight petals, produced freely on stiff stems. 75 cts. each.

Melilla. A grand flower, very full and double, of a novel tint of chrome yellow with lemon suffusion; very free-flowering. 75 cts. each.

Minima. A small Pompon Cactus variety, quite distinct, purple-crimson flowers with narrow petals, of neat form.

Mirifique. Centre wine-color tipped white, suffused with lilac, a unique and distinct color combination; a fine exhibition flower. 75 cts. each.

Miss Wilmott. A very free-flowering bedding variety of a clear orange-scarlet on long stiff stems. 75 cts. each.



NEW CACTUS DAHLIA, PHŒNIX

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New Cactus Dahlias for 1912

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Mons. Quentin Bouchard. A bright scarlet, the tips of the petals deeply cleft and twisted, the flowers are large and borne on long, stiff stems. 75 cts. each.

Nisi Prius. Bright orange scarlet with a well-defined yellow centre, the petals are long, narrow and straight; it flowers early and abundantly. 75 cts. each.

Oswald. Orange-red shading to tomato-red at tips of petals, fine, well-shaped flowers on good stems. 75 cts. each.

Otto Henschel. A good bright canary-yellow.

Penquin. A splendid, large, exhibition variety of perfect form, on stiff stems of a bright golden-yellow.

Phœnix. Another of the very good novelties for the year, with very large, well-formed flowers of a rich, deep carmine-red, each petal when first opening having a broad stripe of cardinal-red through the centre; a most brilliant and rich color combination and entirely distinct. (See cut page 4.)

Prima Donna. Distinct and free, flowers large, with long, tubular twisted incurved petals, the centre ones creamy-white, the outer delicate mauve-pink; very choice.

Princess Mary. A large flower of a pleasing light terra-cotta slightly veined with reddish carmine, quite distinct. 75c.

Quimbo. A most shapely, true cactus form, of a crimson-maroon shade, the narrow, well-incurved petals faintly touched with white at the tips; remarkably free-flowering. 75 cts.

Red Admiral. One of the most brilliant yet introduced, rich fiery-scarlet, flowers of largest size, full in centre; a splendid exhibition flower. 75 cts. each.

Reggie. A splendid free-flowering garden variety of a rich crimson shaded maroon.

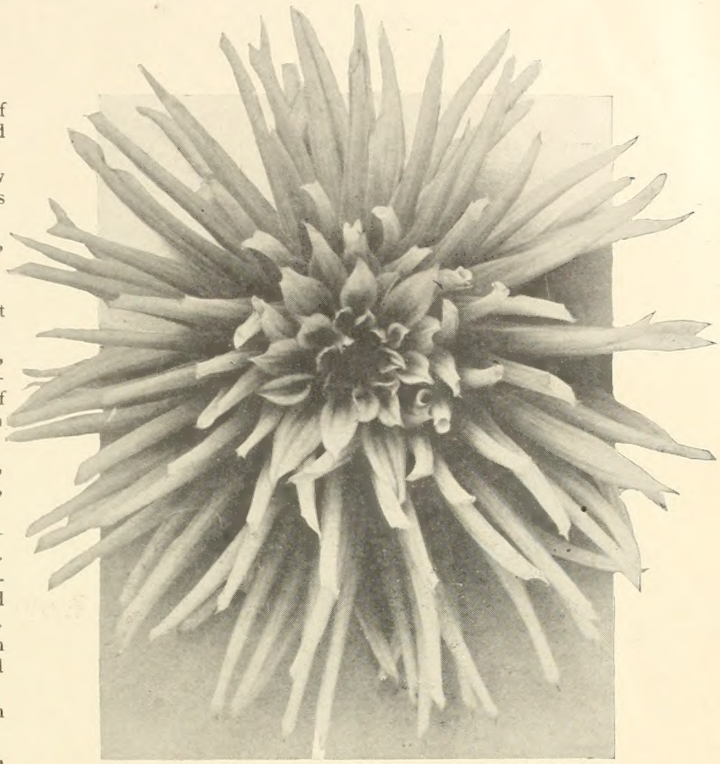
Reine Amelia. Long, narrow petals of a rose-flesh color, with fawn shadings passing to almost white at the centre. 75c.

Rev. J. W. Jamison. An exhibition flower of very large size with long incurved petals of a bright mauve-pink, illuminated with salmon at base of petals. (See cut). 75 cts.

Rivalin. Narrow, long incurved petals, very full, of a delicate tender rose, very free and fine for cutting. 75 cts. each.

Rosaeflora. A particularly free-flowering variety with long, straight petals of a pure rose, the centre of the flower being white. 75 cts. each.

Rosea. One of the most distinct and attractive of a most pleasing rose color, the flowers are of largest size and finest quality. 75 cts. each.



NEW CACTUS DAHLIA, REV. J. W. JAMISON.

Rosa Siegerin. A beautiful flower of true cactus form with long, narrow petals of a tender mauve-pink shading to nearly white in the centre.

Satisfaction. A beautiful flower of extreme incurved type, with very long, narrow petals forming a most graceful flower, white shading to very soft pink. 75 cts. each.

Siegstab. A rich French purple of splendid form and very free-flowering.

Silver Wings. A splendid free-flowering, creamy white. 75 cts. each.

Soleil Couchant. The most brilliant orange-scarlet, shading to reddish-salmon at the tips; petals broad; flowers of good form on stiff stems.

Stalwart. One of the best reds for garden decoration, an intense rich crimson-scarlet; very free flowering. 75c.

Stormer. Another brilliant deep scarlet of the finest form and one of the most reliable. 75 cts. each.

Strahlenglanz. A beautiful suffusion of old-gold and salmon; not a very large flower, but a pretty harmonious autumn color.

Success. Pure yellow with incurved twisted petals; a distinct variety on good stems well above foliage. 75c.

Sunshine. Long incurved petals forming a large, very deep flower of a deep glowing crimson-carmine which is intensified by the lighter tips and golden suffusion at the base of the petals; a splendid flower. 75 cts.

Trautleib. A delicately colored variety with large twisted petals, the outer ones of a tender rose with mauve suffusion, gradually passing to almost white at the centre; very free. 75 cts. each.

Weisse Dame. A pure snow-white with the edges of the petals cleft.

Wellington. A bright glowing scarlet with a suffusion of purplish-crimson towards the tips; a good incurved flower on long stems.

W. T. Rogers. A splendid dark variety; large flowers on stiff, wiry stems; velvety maroon, illuminated with crimson.

Yvonne Cayeux. Almost star-shaped, the straight petals arranged with the utmost regularity; color an immaculate white. 75 cents each.

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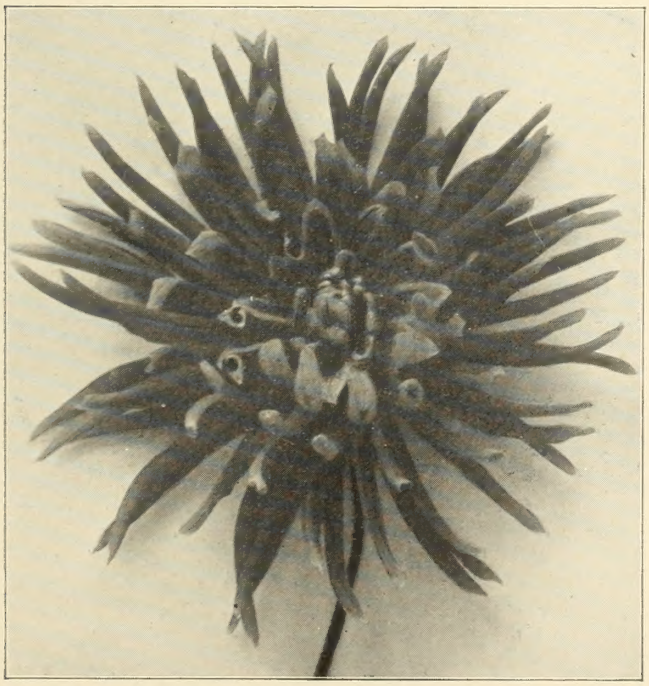
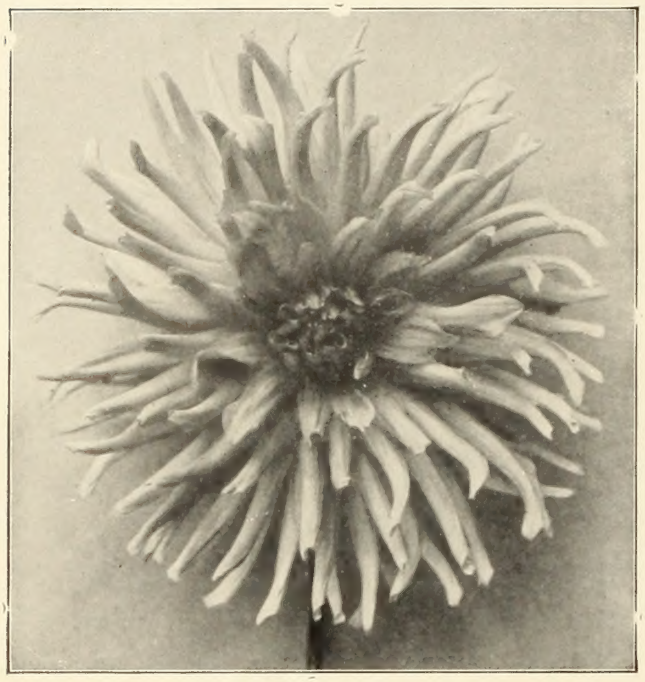


NEW CACTUS DAHLIA, "SUNSHINE."

THE CREAM OF THE CACTUS DAHLIAS

INTRODUCED IN 1911

Another season's trial fully convinces us of the superior merits of the twenty sorts here listed, all of them high class varieties which it will be hard to displace.



CACTUS DAHLIA, MAUVE QUEEN

Mauve Queen. A distinct and beautiful variety, formed of long, tubular, incurved petals of a pleasing shade of clear mauve, shading lighter towards the centre. (See cut.)

Mrs. T. J. Woodall. Pure primrose, passing to carmine-pink at the points of the petals. These are long and narrow, gracefully curved, and the charming combination of colors forms a flower of great beauty. (Illustrated on front page of this catalogue.)

Queenie. A perfectly formed flower, with long, narrow petals of a delicate rosy-salmon, the reverse of the petals a deep salmon, forming a rich color combination.

Rev. Arthur T. Bridge. The colorings in this variety are extremely handsome, being a bright, clear yellow, heavily tipped and suffused with bright, yet deep, rose-pink; good, erect habit; produces grand flowers.

Rosa Starr. A large, perfect flower, of long, tubular, twisted petals of perfect cactus form, color a light crimson-carmine.

Ruby Grinsted. A most delicately colored variety. The centre is a soft, tinted yellow, which is gradually suffused until it becomes a rich shade of rosy-fawn.

Snowstorm. A large, bold, white flower, of fine form, moderately incurved; the plants are sturdy but dwarf, and commence flowering very early in the season.

T. G. Baker. Very large, fine yellow flowers on stiff, wiry stems, of dwarf, vigorous habit.

Tressie. A brilliant, rich flower, of deep scarlet, without shadings, of perfect cactus form. One of the finest of the high-colored sorts.

Zwergsonne. Very dwarf pompon cactus, producing freely small but very perfect sulphur-yellow flowers.

Price. Any of the above, 35 cts. each; $3.50 per doz.; $25.00 per 100. One each of the 20 sorts for $5.50

Armentine Desleins. Of perfect form, full double, with the ends of the petals cleft, color creamy-yellow, suffused with bright violet-rose, distinct and pleasing. (See cut.)

Amber Queen. A bold, large flower of a rich amber, suffused with scarlet; very attractive and free flowering.

Aristed Gurtier. A splendid flower, composed of long narrow petals, of fine form, color mars-orange, suffused with scarlet, deepening towards the centre.

Belladonna. Beautiful flowers of medium size, with narrow petals, forming a fine high-centered, full, double flower, centre bright canary-yellow, base of petals orange-salmon passing to soft rose at the ends; a pleasing, delicate color combination.

Etruria. A splendidly formed large flower, with very long, graceful petals, which are of reddish salmon, brightening at the centre; very distinct and desirable.

Favorita. Exceptionally free-flowering, with medium-sized but perfect blooms held well above the foliage, color a fresh violet-rose intensified by the yellow base of the petals.

Goldland. A splendid primrose-yellow, of perfect form and very free-flowering.

Gondola. A clear rosy pink, with very large, gracefully arranged flowers, with long, narrow, peculiarly twisted petals.

Harmony. A splendid novelty, with full but gracefully formed flowers of a salmony-red color, with lighter tips and chamois-yellow centre.

Helene Steinbach. A delicate shade of rosy-heliotrope, distinct, novel and pleasing.

CACTUS DAHLIA, ARMENTINE DESLEINS

"THE DREER COLLECTION" OF

CACTUS DAHLIAS OF SPECIAL MERIT

This is a selection of twenty-five varieties made with a view o supplying the amateur with an assortment of Cactus sorts, which in our own experience we have found to be the freest-flowering under the most varied conditions of soil and climate, and which can be depended upon to make an early and continuous display in the garden, and at the same time furnish an abundance of choice flowers for cutting. The varieties are all introductions previous to 1911, and have been under observation ample time to establish their superior qualities.

Aegir. Rich, warm cardinal-red, peculiarly twisted petals.

Amazone. Rich, glowing amaranth-red suffused with purple.

Aschenbrodel. Base of petals gold, passing to rich rose-pink, tipped lemon; very beautiful, very free.

Aurora. A beautiful reddish-apricot suffused with flesh pink, shading lighter to the tips. (Illustrated on front cover of this catalogue.)

Countess of Lonsdale. A peculiar but pleasing blending of salmon-pink and amber, a color difficult to describe. This is the Dahlia for the million. Flowers freely under all conditions. (See cut.)

Country Girl. Base of petals golden-yellow suffused with salmon-rose, which is deepest at the points.

Else. A charming variety, with a combination of delicate colors. The base of the petals is of buttercup-yellow, gradually passing to amber, finished with a tip of tyrian rose.

Flora. An ideal white Cactus Dahlia. A large, heavy flower, produced on stout, stiff stems, makes it valuable for cutting.

Floradora. A remarkably free-flowering, bright blood-red.

Frau Hermine Marx. A delicate silvery-rose of good size and very free.

Goliath. Ground color yellow, suffused and tinted with reddish-salmon.

H. W. Sillem. A brilliant, rich, cardinal-red, with deeper shadings; flowers of perfect form, and very large.

CACTUS DAHLIA, COUNTESS OF LONSDALE

Lawine. White, with just a suggestion of blush as the flower matures; a fine, full, large flower; one of the best. (Illustrated on front cover of this catalogue.)

Master Carle. Very large, bright saffron-yellow; a splendid flower.

Mrs. Geo. Stevenson. A bright, sparkling yellow, with large, perfect flowers on long stems.

Mrs. H. J. Jones. Very large, perfect, rich, bright scarlet, with cream-colored edge; occasionally comes self-colored.

Pink Pearl. Mallow-pink at base of petals, gradually shading to white at tip of petals.

Pius X. A beautiful large, white, with slight sulphur tint; very double, with nicely quilled petals.

Progenitor. Bright carmine, each petal being furcated on the end like a staghorn fern.

Roland von Berlin. A magnificent, brilliant and intense geranium-red, with deeper shadings and full of fire. (Illustrated on front cover of this catalogue.)

Rother. Rich, bright garnet; one of the finest dark-colored sorts yet introduced.

Sceptre. Base of petals yellow, passing to mauve-rose at tips with salmon sheen; a pleasing, live color. (See cut.)

Sequoia. A beautiful variety, with long, tubular petals cleft at the tips, of a deep saffron-yellow suffused with red; a splendid autumn tint. (Illustrated on front cover of this catalogue.)

Standard Bearer. Rich, fiery scarlet, free and of perfect form.

Strahlen Krone. Intense cardinal-red; rich and glowing.

Price. Any of the above, 25 cts. each; $2.50 per doz.; $18.00 per 100. Set of 25 varieties for $5.00.

CACTUS DAHLIA, SCEPTRE

SPECIAL OFFER

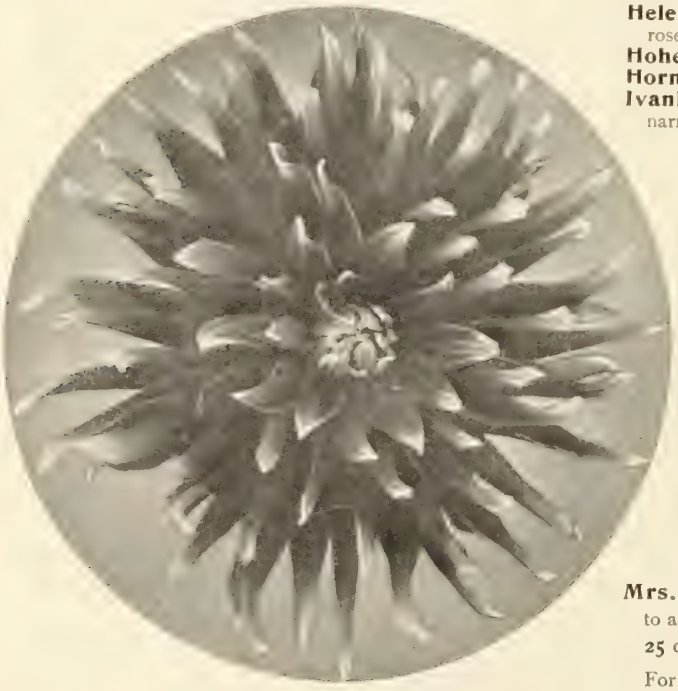
One each of the five sorts shown on plate used as front cover of this catalogue, a fine collection for $1.25.

Select Standard
CACTUS DAHLIAS

The collection offered below and on the page following, contains all first-class standard varieties, of which we have large stocks and which we are able to offer at popular prices.

Amos Perry. Flowers large, with long petals; color fiery-red; one of the earliest and freest-flowering.
Anna Bornemann. Chamois passing to lilac-rose; broad incurving petals; early and free.
Autumn. Bright rosy-scarlet, suffused with salmon; long, pointed, tubular petals.
Berlichingen. Deep crimson-carmine, shading to bright carmine at tips; very showy.
Blitz. An early and free-flowering rich and brilliant geranium-lake of exceptionally fine form.
Bruce. A perfect constructed flower with long twisted petals of yellow-salmon shading to amber-yellow in the centre, very free-flowering on stiff wiry stems. 50 cts. each.
C. E. Wilkins. A splendid flower, ground color pale sulphur-yellow gradually passing to a tender salmon-pink. 25 cts. each.
Clara G. Stredwick. Shrimp-pink, shading to salmon-red.
Countess of Malmesbury. Delicate peach-pink; very free.
Director Quennec. One of the freest flowering, fiery-red suffused with carmine. 25 cts. each.
Dorothy. A delicate shade of mauve-rose, a good shaped double flower.
Dreadnought. Very large, deep ox-blood red.
Edelweiss. Dwarf, very free-flowering, white.
Effective. Chamois-rose with yellow shadings.
Elly Gumpert. A splendid variety for cutting, very free, flowers produced on long stems, of a most pleasing shade of mauve-pink. 25 cts. each.
Exquisite. Fine pure orange-scarlet with salmon shadings.
Faunus. Ground color straw-yellow, shading to rosy-scarlet; petals long and narrow, flowers large, early and free. 25 cts. each.
Flame. Brilliant orange-scarlet of good cactus form,
Flamingo. Brilliant vermilion, long, pointed petals.
Forelle. Lemon-yellow at base, gradually shading to luminous crimson-carmine at the tips.
Gabriel. Creamy-white, edged with vermilion.

CACTUS DAHLIA, LIBELLE



CACTUS DAHLIA, GEN. BULLER

Gold Fassan. Ground color chrome-yellow, passing to rosy-red; flowers of medium size, of perfect shape.
Gen. French. One of the best; orange-terra-cotta; very free.
Gen. Buller. Cardinal-red shaded crimson; white tips.
Grenadier. Bright reddish old-rose, dwarf, free and pretty.
Gudrun. Outer petals delicate crimson-pink, passing to a white centre suffused with cream and rose.
Hagen. Rich purple-brown with aniline red markings.
Havel. Flowers shaped like a water lily, of a bright salmon-rose shaded deeper at the centre; very free.
Helene. Centre creamy-white, outer petals pleasing mauve-rose. 25 cts. each.
Hohenzollern. Rich orange-red, with golden sheen.
Horn of Plenty. Deep carmine-purple; very free.
Ivanhoe. Of perfect, dwarf habit; flowers large, with long, narrow petals of a bright straw-color.
J. H. Jackson. Brilliant crimson-maroon.
Kriemhilde. A most popular cut flower variety; perfect flowers on long stems; color a brilliant pink, gradually shading to white at the centre.
Keyne's White. A fine white of perfect shape.
Leuchtfeuer. A brilliant variety of a bright blood-red with deeper shadings; the flowers are of fine form.
Libelle. A very free variety, with large flowers of good form; of a distinct purple color, rich and pleasing.
Loogalu. A broad-petalled, very full, double flower, orange-scarlet with carmine shadings.
Lovely. Delicate violet-rose with creamy-white shadings; free and desirable.
Mars. A brilliant scarlet, intensified with orange at the base of the petals.
Mme. Camille Pabst. A distinct shade of deep amber-yellow, suffused with salmon-rose; a fine flower.
Mrs. Clinton. Ground color deep amber, gradually shading to a rosy-scarlet, with a glow and finish impossible to describe. 25 cts. each.

For prices of Select Standard Cactus Dahlias, see end of list on page following.

CACTUS DAHLIA, HELENE

Select Standard CACTUS DAHLIAS

(CONTINUED)

Mrs. Edward Mawley. A fine yellow.

Mrs. F. Grinstead. Deep rich crimson, suffused purple, large incurved flower of fine form.

Mrs. J. Harrison. An intensely rich oriental-red of large size and perfect form.

Moritz Arndt. Amber-yellow of good form. 25c.

Ortwin. A compact bedding variety, producing handsome flowers of a distinct salmon-flesh color with rosy hue.

Papagei. Ground color yellow with bright rosy-red variegations extending almost to the lemon-colored tips.

Parsifal. A splendid cream-white, borne on stiff stems well above the foliage. It is one of the freest and earliest-flowering of the many white Cactus varieties. Plants ready April 15th. 50c. each.

Princess Ilse. Delicate rose suffused with carmine, passing to white on edges.

Prince of Yellows. A rich canary yellow; one of the best yellows for cutting.

Thusnelda. Chamois suffused with rose and pink; a splendid flower.

Uncle Tom. Maroon with darker shadings, almost black.

Volker. A charming free flowering pure yellow.

Vesuve. Rich geranium-lake, with deeper shadings.

Warjag. Orange carmine tipped with bright carmine, good size.

W. Hopkins. Very large ox-blood red.

Wunderkind. Luminous canary-yellow shading to white, suffused with flesh at the edges; one of the freest.

Rene Cayeux. Rich geranium red; one of the earliest to flower.

Reliable. A very large, bold, striking flower, of a pleasing madder-carmine, suffused with salmon and yellow.

S. M. Mossaffer Eddin. A distinct and pretty flower of a rich aniline-red; petals long and peculiarly twisted.

Thomas Parkin. A magnificent flower of the most refined type; color a beautiful mars-orange.

Thuringia. Flowers very large, and always of good form; of a brilliant fiery-red color. A remarkably free bloomer.

Price. Any of the Standard Cactus sorts offered above and on preceding page, except where noted, 15c. each; $1.50 per dozen; $10.00 per 100; 12 sorts our selection $1.50; 25 sorts our selection $2 75; Complete collection of the 63 varieties $7.50.

FANCY CACTUS DAHLIAS

A distinct and showy class, in which the flowers are beautifully striped and variegated, as shown in the illustration.

Alpha. Creamy-white, with pencillings, spots and stripes of reddish purple. Plants ready April 15th.

Comet. Delicate lilac, pencilled, spotted and striped with tyrian rose.

Fireworks. Ground color golden-yellow striped and spotted with oriental-red.

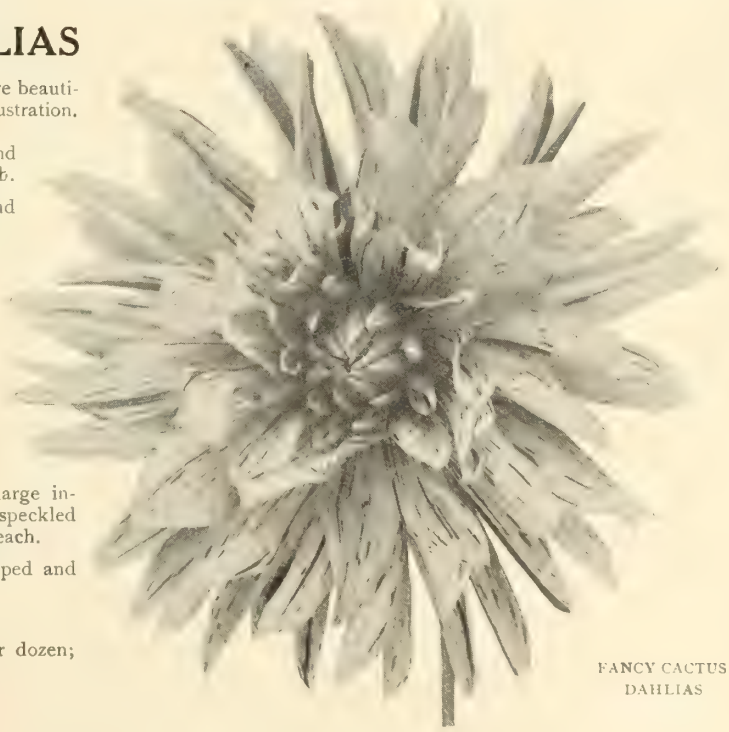
Maurice Fuld. Base of petals golden-yellow shading to bronzy rose at the tips and densely striped with bright currant-red. Plants ready April 15th. 50c. each.

Mercury. Ground color yellow, thickly striped and spotted with crimson, large flower. Plants ready April 15th. 50c each.

Mrs. J. Emberson. A distinct fancy with large incurved flowers of a pale-lemon, splashed and speckled with rosy-pink. Plants ready April 15th. 50c. each.

Vesuvius. Ground color buttercup-yellow, striped and spotted blood-red.

Price. Except where noted 30c. each; $3.00 per dozen; one each of the 7 fancy sorts for $2.00.



FANCY CACTUS DAHLIAS

NEW DECORATIVE DAHLIA PAPA CHARMET

NEW AND EXTRA CHOICE DECORATIVE DAHLIAS

Coronna. A miniature pure white, usually from 2½ to 3 inches in diameter, of most perfect form and remarkably free-flowering. Plants 35 cts. each.

Delacroix. A splendid primrose-yellow, with the tips of the petals cleft, giving it a fringed appearance; quite distinct. Plants 75 cts. each.

Delice. Its beautiful soft, yet lively color, a glowing rose-pink, together with its pefrect shape, stout, stiff stems, which hold the flowers well above the foliage, and the fact that when cut it retains its freshness for a long time, makes this one of the most valuable for cutting or decorative sorts in the garden. 25 cts. each; $2.50 per doz.

Dragon d'Or. A soft yellow with petals cleft on the tips; quite distinct. Plants 35 cts. each.

Galathea. Delicate soft pink, a medium-sized flower of splendid form, an ideal Dahlia which on account of its delicate color and pleasing shape appeals to everyone. Plants $1.00 each.

Gloire Lyonnaise. A bright golden-yellow flamed with rosy-carmine at the points; very effective and a splendid dahlia. Plants 75 cts. each.

Graflin von Schimmelman. Salmon-rose shading to a yellow centre, a good flower composed of long, narrow, incurved petals and very free-flowering. Plants 75 cts. each.

Innocence. A small flower of the purest white, the plants which grow as compact bushes are at all times covered with bloom; a gem for cutting. Plants 75 cts. each.

Kaiserin Augusta Victoria. The first of the decorative sorts to come into flower, of medium size, good form and pure white color. 25 cts. each; $2.50 per doz.

Le Grand Manitou. The first variegated Dahlia of the decorative type. The flowers are from 5 to 6 inches across, ground color white, prettily spotted, striped and blotched with deep reddish-violet; occasionally self-colored; these are borne on stout, stiff stems, held well above the foliage 35 cts. each; $3 50 per doz.

Lucie. Pale ecru wi h old-gold rose shadings; distinct and pleasing. Plants 50 cts. each.

Maman Rozain. Flowers of very large size but graceful, of a pearly-white suffused with rose, reverse of petals velvety purple edged with white; a most distinct and novel variety. Plants $1.00 each.

Miss Minnie McCullough. One of the most popular cut flower varieties now grown, particularly valuable for use under artificial light Color soft yellow, overlaid with bronze; a beautiful autumnal tint. 35 cts. each; $3.50 per doz

Mme. A. Lumier. A very distinct semi-double variety, ground color white, suffused towards the ends of the petals with red, the tips pointed with bright violet-red. 25 cts. each; $2.50 per doz.

Mont Blanc. Very large creamy-white with unusually broad, wavy petals. Plants 50 cts. each.

Monte Rosa. A delicate rosy-mauve tinted carmine of good form on good stiff stems. 50 cts. each.

Mr. Sexe. A medium-sized flower of good form held on stiff stems, cardinal-red tipped and suffused with old-gold. Plants 75 cts. each.

Omega. Flower of perfect form with large petals, base lemon-yellow shading to cream, suffused with solferino striated with carmine-purple. Plants 75 cts. each.

Ouray. Rich, deep velvety-maroon of good form, very free-flowering. Plants 50 cts. each.

Papa Charmet. A large flower of rich, deep morocco-red with bright garnet shadings; the finest dark decorative Dahlia yet offered. Plants 35 cts. each.

Perle de Lyon. Not only the most valuable white decorative Dahlia, but the best white of any class for cut-flower purposes; its flowers are of good size, and held erect on long, stiff, wiry stems. 25 cts. each; $2.50 per doz.

Pierre Dupont. A free-flowering creamy-white, on good stems. Plants 50 cts. each.

Reise von Stuttgart. Probably the largest Dahlia of this type; a seedling of Souvenir de Gustave Doazon which it exceeds in size, frequently measuring 8 inches in diameter, in color a bright blood-red shading deeper to the centre; a variety which will attract universal attention. Plants 50 cts. each.

Senor Leon Perez Delicate mauve-pink shading to white at the centre, a well-built flower on stiff stems, free and early. Plants 50 cts. each.

Seven Oaks Scarlet. A miniature variety, rarely over 2½ inches across, and a gem either for garden decoration or as a cut flower; the perfect flowers, borne on stiff stems, are of a vivid orange-scarlet; a striking novelty. 35 cts. each.

Souvenir de Maurice Rivoire. A broad petaled variety, forming a graceful, loose flower, the ground color of which is deep amber suffused and marked with raspberry-red at the tips; quite distinct. Plants 50 cts. each.

Thais. Not a large flower but one of the most pleasing in the collection, the ground color white suffused with mauve-rose; the petals are broad and loosely, informally arranged; a good cut flower. Plants $1.00 each.

Tricolor. Flower of medium size, of good form, ground color buttercup yellow with a blotch of scarlet on each petal. and as the flower matures the end of each petal becomes suffused with rosy-white, forming a pretty tricolored combination. Plants 50 cts. each.

Triomphe de Schmitt. Tips of petals carmine red flamed towards the centre with golden-yellow and suffused with crimson, large, well-shaped flower. Plants 50 cts. each.

Ulysse. A very fine, rich, velvety maroon with nearly black shadings. Plants 75 cts. each.

Yellow Colosse. Flowers of very large size, of perfect form, pure primrose-yellow; the best of its color and valuable for all purposes. Plants 25 cts. each; $2.50 per doz.

Collection of one each of the 31 above sorts, a grand lot, for $13.75.

Select Standard

DECORATIVE DAHLIAS

In addition to the new and extra choice varieties offered on the opposite page, we offer the following splendid sorts of this most popular and useful type:

Admiral Dewey. A rich purple, very free.

Black Beauty. Deep velvety-maroon, almost black

Bronze Beauty. Bright coppery-orange.

Catherine Duer. Iridescent-red; a favorite for cutting.

Clifford W. Bruton. A fine bright yellow.

Eureka. A deep rose color, of large size and fine form.

Evadne. Centre soft primrose shading to white, edge of flower blush.

F. L. Bassett. Carmine-purple, shading deeper at the centre.

Fire Rain. A free-flowering cardinal-red; a fine cut flower.

Gold of Ophir. Rich old-gold shading to amber.

Henry Patrick. A beautiful pure white.

Jack Rose. Brilliant crimson-red, similar in shade to the popular "Jack" Rose, which suggested its name; perfect for garden decoration or for cutting. 25 cts. each; $2.50 per doz.

Jeanne Charmet. A splendid cut flower variety of a pleasing shade of violet-rose on a lighter ground.

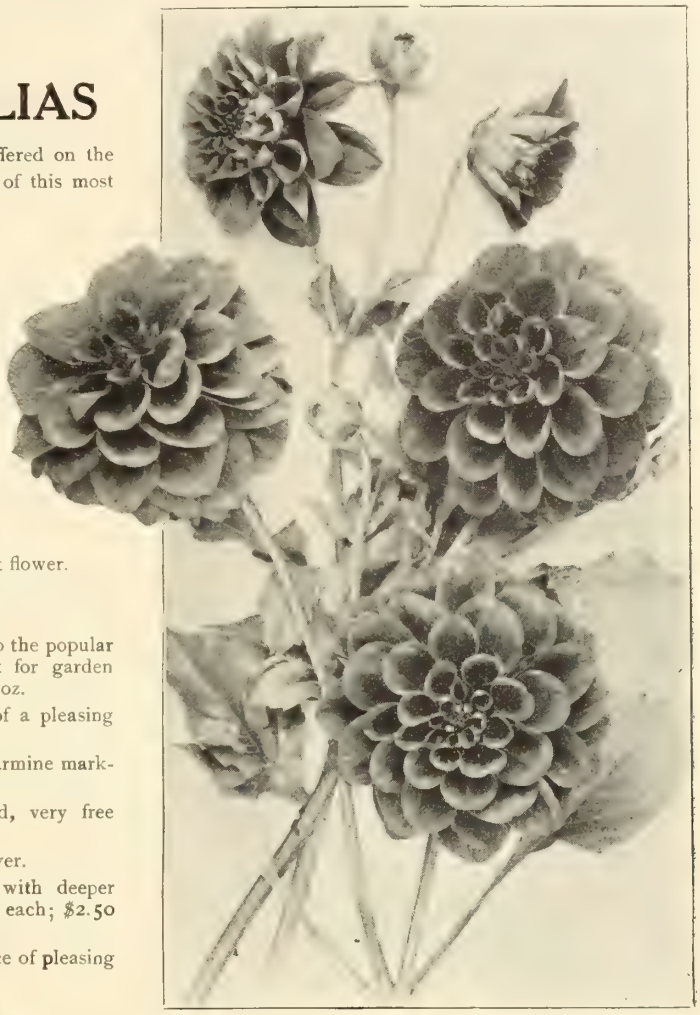
Juno. A rich velvety reddish-brown with brilliant carmine markings, flowers of large size on strong stems.

La France. Large flowers of a deep solferino-red, very free flowering. 25 cts. each.

Lyndhurst. Brilliant cardinal-red. A fine cut flower.

Mme. Van den Daele. A charming soft rose with deeper markings, shading to white in the centre. 25 cts. each; $2.50 per doz.

Marianna. Very dwarf, and producing an abundance of pleasing rich orange-buff flowers.



DECORATIVE DAHLIA, JACK ROSE

DECORATIVE DAHLIA, SYLVIA

Mrs. Linder. Free-flowering white suffused pink.

Mrs. T. F. De Witt. A good primrose yellow.

Mrs. Winters. A fine pure white.

Orange King. Rich, glowing orange-scarlet.

Perle (*Perle de la Tete d' Or*). A beautiful glistening white; a splendid variety for cutting.

Sylvia. Soft, pleasing mauve-pink, gradually changing to white in the centre. A fine cut flower.

Wm. Agnew. Rich, dazzling carmine-red.

Wilhelm Miller. Rich, aniline-red, suffused with purple.

Zulu. Deep maroon with black shadings.

Price. Except where noted, 15 cts. each; $1.50 per doz.; $10.00 per 100.

One each of the above 27 varieties for $3.25.

ANEMONE FLOWERED OR GLORIA DAHLIAS

A new and distinct type with a single outer row of showy petals, the centre or disc being taken up with tubular, cleft petals usually of the same color as the outer petals, the flower as a whole reminding one of the Spring-flowering Anemones.

Graziella. Rose color with white spots, the disc petals golden-yellow. 25 cts. each.

Horace. Deep claret-red striped with white, base of petals salmon, disc florets old gold striped with red. 25 cts. each.

Mme. Charles Molin. Creamy-white of good form. 25 cts. each.

Sculpteur Lemot. Bright claret-red. 50 cts. each.

One each of the above 4 sorts for $1.00.

CHOICE DOUBLE SHOW DAHLIAS

The thirty-six varieties offered below is one of the finest collections of this favorite type ever offered, and includes a number of new sorts of more than usual merit.

While Dahlia specialists all over the world appear to have devoted most of their attention to the production of new colors and improved forms of the Cactus type there are still a large number of planters who prefer this fine old densely double sorts.

A. D. Livoni. A splendid clear pink, beautifully quilled, of perfect form, and very free-flowering.

Arabella. Light sulphur-yellow, shaded peach-blossom on edges; a fine flower.

Caleb Powers. Best described as an improvement in size, coloring, and even in earliness, to the popular variety, Susan, offered in this list, a delicate shell-pink of splendid form. 50 cts. each; $5.00 per doz.

Chas. Lanier. The largest deep yellow Show Dahlia to date. Very rich yellow and fine for cutting.

Colonist. A peculiarly colored variety, the centre of the petals coral-red, edges and tips suffused and shaded purple-lake, of fine form.

Duchess of Cambridge. Base of petals white suffused pink, heavily tipped dark crimson.

David Johnson. A beautifully quilled almost globular flower of a peculiar bronzy shade of shrimp-pink.

Edward Mawley. A splendid new deep self-colored crimson of perfect form and very free. Plants ready April 15th. 75 cts. each.

Emily. Solferino, with white markings; very large and free-flowering.

Ethel Britton. Creamy white, lightly suffused and tipped with solferino-red.

Gettysburg. Large bright rich scarlet.

Glorie de Lyon. A well formed large white.

Gracchus. Orange, shaded apricot; a fine flower.

Hero. Aniline red, of fine shade.

Isis. A new sort of immense size, large petals, full double, orange scarlet suffused with carmine with golden sheen at the tips. Plants ready April 15th. $1.00 each.

John Thorpe. A fine large solferino red.

John Walker. An elegant pure white.

Lady Maude Herbert. Pale yellow, shaded peach, heavily tipped crimson.

SHOW DAHLIA, SUSAN

SHOW DAHLIA, PRINCESS VICTORIA

Mme. Alfred Moreau. The most perfect large pure mauve-pink; a splendid flower.

Mariner. Apricot, suffused and tipped with carmine-lake.

Miss May Loomis. White suffused with soft rose.

Mrs. Glascock. A creamy white of very large size and perfect form.

Pandora. A new variety of most delicate soft mauve-pink of absolutely perfect form. Plants ready April 15th. 50 cts. each.

Princess Victoria. A sterling novelty, being the earliest and freest-flowering primrose-yellow; never produces an imperfect flower, and is in bloom early and late; long, stiff stems; fine for cutting. 50 cts. each.

Pendent. An early and profuse-flowering crimson-maroon.

Queen Victoria. A popular light yellow.

Ruby Queen. Brilliant deep ruby-purple.

Red Hussar. Pure cardinal red.

Southern Queen. A large, absolutely perfect flower of a deep rosy-mauve with darker shadings. Plants ready April 15th. 25 cts. each.

Sulphurea. A splendid free-flowering pure sulphur-yellow of perfect form. 25 cts. each.

Standard. One of the best show varieties in our collection, every flower being perfect and remarkably free-flowering, in color a deep rich blood-red with bronzy shimmer. 50 cts. each.

Susan. Probably no Dahlia ever introduced by us has given such universal satisfaction as this, a beautiful, delicate, soft shell-pink, of splendid form, remarkably early and free-flowering, with long stems; splendid for cutting.

Thomas White. Purple-garnet shaded black. 35 cts. each.

White Dandy. A splendid white of good form with quilled petals. 35 cts. each.

White Bedder. Fine, large, globular pure white.

Yellow Livoni. Undoubtedly the most perfectly quilled Dahlia grown; flowers of medium size, but very perfect, of a soft lemon yellow.

Price. Except where noted, 20 cts. each; $2.00 per doz.; $15.00 per 100. One each of the 36 varieties for $8.50.

GRAND GIANT DAHLIAS

The seven sorts here offered are, without exception, the largest and most perfect double-flowering Dahlias now grown, flowers of all of them attaining a size of between five and six inches across under ordinary cultivation. As cut flowers for vases they are exceedingly effective and last a long time in good condition.

Beloit. Particularly effective on account of its very large flowers, borne on stems 18 to 20 inches long and held well above the foliage; these are full double, of splendid form, of a rich purplish-garnet, shading deeper towards the centre.

Cuban Giant. An immense ball of bright maroon, free and early.

Dreer's White. Introduced by us in 1909, and unquestionably the most valuable Dahlia sent out in many years. In color a pure glistening white, and resembling in form the popular Grand Duke Alexis, while in freedom of flowering it is not surpassed by any. It has succeeded in all parts of the country, has been much admired at the exhibitions where shown, and has also met with much favor as a cut flower. (See cut.)

Grand Duke Alexis. Large, massive flowers, ivory-white, with a faint tinge of rose at the extremities of the petals.

Mrs. Roosevelt. Of immense size and remarkably free-flowering; color a delicate silvery rose.

Souvenir de Gustave Doazon. A decorative variety of mammoth proportions, which under ordinary cultivation will produce flowers 6 inches across, and can be grown to measure full 9 inches. It is of free growth, remarkably profuse-flowering and pure red in color.

Yellow Duke. A splendid primrose-yellow, of good form, and always in flower. Fine for cutting.

Price. 25 cts. each; $2.50 per doz.; $18.00 per 100. One each of the seven Giants, $1.50.

CHOICE DOUBLE FANCY DAHLIAS

Chameleon. Flesh-colored centre, shading to crushed strawberry, with yellowish blending.

Elegans. Tyrian-rose, tipped white.

Eloise. White, tinted flesh, each petal edged purplish-garnet.

Fancy Mariner. Ground color lilac freely splashed with rosy purple.

Frank Smith. Intense purplish-maroon, shading almost to black; each petal tippped with white.

Gold Medal. A grand new, early and continuous bloomer, color dandelion-yellow, streaked and splashed with oriental-red, a most bizarre effect; frequently instead of being striped the red appears as a tip to the petals, beautiful in either form. 50c ea.; $5.00 per doz.

Keystone. Light rose, spotted and striped crimson.

Lucy Fawcett. Sulphur-yellow, striped and spotted carmine-rose.

Miss Browning. A perfectly-formed flower, a canary-yellow, tipped with white.

Mrs. Stancombe. Straw-yellow, suffused amber, striped red and tipped blush.

Mrs. W. Treseder. A most perfect exhibition flower, creamy-yellow, edged heavily with rosy-pink. Plants ready April 15th, 50 cents each.

Olympia. Bright rose-pink, striped, spotted and penciled with glowing crimson.

DREER'S WHITE DAHLIA

Peeress. Buttercup-yellow with heavy tip of deep fiery-red.

Penelope. White, flaked and tinted mauve.

Progress. Soft rosy-lake, spotted and penciled crimson.

S. Mortimer. Bright reddish-purple, striped maroon, sometimes comes a rich, self-colored purple.

Striped Banner. Cardinal-red with broad white stripe through centre of each petal.

Wm. Sheldon. Buttercup-yellow with white tip when first opening, as the flower matures the white passes to a shrimp-pink, very distinct. 50 cents each.

Price. Except where noted, 20 cents each; $2.00 per dozen; $15.00 per 100. Set of 18 varieties for $3.75.

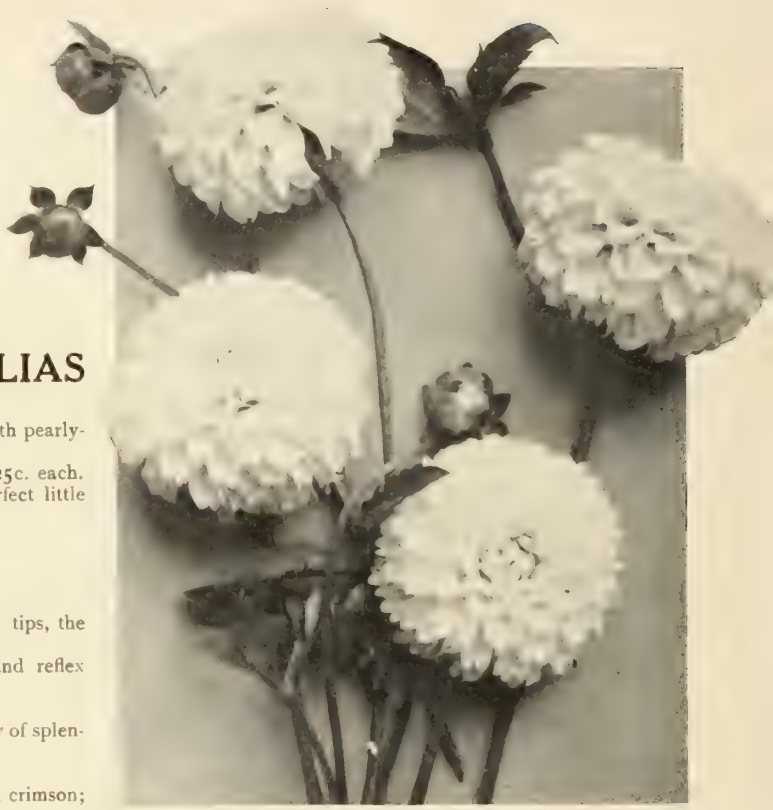
New Pompon Dahlia "NERISSA"

The advance in this miniature type of Dahlias has not kept pace with the other classes, and it is but rarely that we have a novelty to offer; but in Nerissa we have such a perfect little gem that it should be included in every collection. The plant is of ideal habit, and always loaded with flowers not over two inches in diameter, of perfect form, and of that beautiful shade of lively mauve-pink that appeals to everyone and that shows up so fine under artificial light. Plants ready April 15th. 25 cts. each; $2.50 per dozen.

DOUBLE POMPON DAHLIAS

Agathe. Lemon-yellow, quilled.
Annie Doncaster. Light yellow, base suffused with pearly-pink.
Arthur Kerley. Purplish crimson; very free. 25c. each.
Blumenreich. Deep amber suffused with red, perfect little flowers.
Catherine. Well formed primrose-yellow.
Darkness. Deep velvety-maroon.
Edina. Pure yellow with small red tip.
Elegante. Soft pink tipped deep pink.
Frau Dr. Knabe. Rose tinted white with violet tips, the most closely quilled variety grown.
Ganymede. Ground color golden amber; tips and reflex bright rose; very pretty.
Gold Hanchen. Pure primrose-yellow.
Helene Lambert. A splendid free flowering yellow of splendid shape. Plants ready April 15th, 25 cts. each.
Ideal. Orange-yellow, very perfect.
Julius. Ground color buff, very deeply edged with crimson; very free. Plants ready April 15th, 25 cts. each.
Kleine Domitea. Orange buff; always in flower.
Lilian. Violet rose with darker shadings.
Little Bessie. Creamy-white, closely quilled.
Little Herman. Deep carmine, shaded garnet, tipped white.
Little Naiad White tipped amaranth red.

NEW DUPLEX DAHLIA, MERRY WIDOW



DOUBLE POMPON DAHLIAS

Midget. Very miniature and very free flowering; salmon shaded peach. Plants ready April 15th, 25 cts each.
Neatness. Pale salmon with creamy centre; very perfect
Red Piper. Brilliant red of fine form.
Rosalie. Lemon-yellow, tipped solferino.
Salamander. Golden-yellow, tipped orange-red.
San Toy. White, tipped with tyrian-rose.
Snowclad. A fine pure white.
Vivid. Vivid brilliant scarlet.
White Aster. A splendid fringed pure white.
Ware's Fashion. Orange shaded buff. Plants ready April 15th, 25 cts. each.
Ware's Mars. Beautiful deep red of fine form.

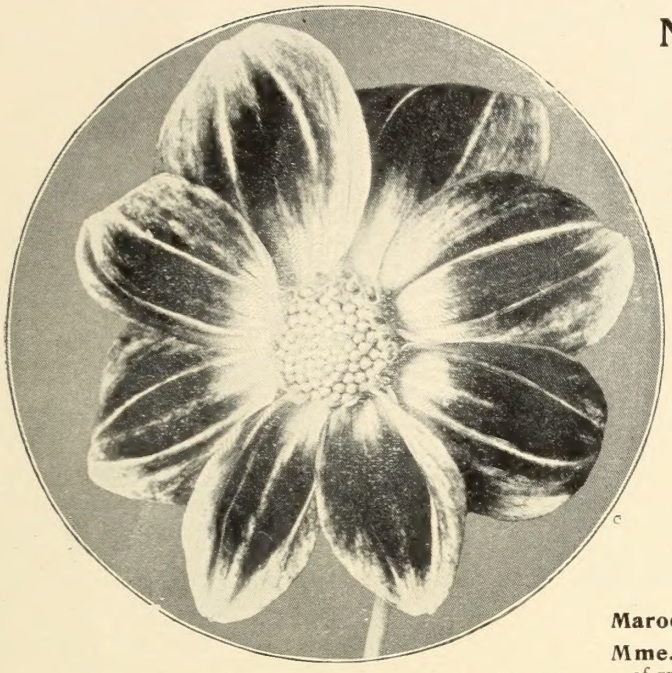
Price. Any of the above, except where noted, 15 cts each; $1.50 doz.; $10.00 per 100; one each of the 30 varieties, $3.75.

NEW DUPLEX CENTURY DAHLIAS

These differ from the regular Century type in having two or more rows of petals, while still retaining the general appearance and characteristics of the original type; all of them are splendid varieties both for cutting as well as for garden decorations; all very free flowering.

Big Chief. Rich crimson, with maroon shadings on margins.
Cardinal. Very large rich cardinal-red, with broad, reflexed, well-rounded petals.
Centaure. Brilliant orange-red, shaded crimson, of very large size. Plants ready April 15th.
Mme. Heriot. The largest single-flowering variety in cultivation; flowers frequently measure 6½ inches in diameter, of a pure glistening white, borne on stout, stiff stems. Plants ready April 15th, 50 cts. each.
Merry Widow. Exceptionally bright, deep scarlet flowers of a very large size. Effective for massing. (See cut.)
Sensation. A gorgeous flower, brilliant vermilion-red, heavily tipped with white.

Price. Except where noted, 25 cts. each; $2.50 per dozen. The set of 6 varieties for $1.50.



NEW CENTURY DAHLIA, TWENTIETH CENTURY

NEW CENTURY SINGLE DAHLIAS

These magnificent single varieties are all of free-branching habit, flowering early, profusely and continuously throughout the season; flowers 4½ to 6 inches across on stems 3 feet long, and when cut keep in good condition for many days.

Crimson Century. Rich, deep velvet crimson, shaded maroon, with rose halo around a yellow disc.

Deegen's Riese. Rich tyrian-rose, with a brilliant red iridescence at the base of each petal.

Fringed Century. Intense rosy crimson with lighter markings, fringed or cleft petals.

Gladys. A much improved form of Twentieth Century of large size, retaining its bright color throughout the season, centre of petals brilliant rosy-crimson with rose-pink band on either side and snow-white centre surrounding the yellow disc. Plants ready April 15th. 35 cts. each.

Jack. Brilliant fiery scarlet, the base of the petals overlaid with golden-yellow; the freest-flowering Dahlia grown.

Maroon Century. Rich maroon, with yellow disc.

Mme. Anthelme Combet. The finest white for cutting; of great substance. Plants ready August 15th. 50 cts. each.

Pink Century. Delicate soft pink. 35 cts. each.

Rose-Pink Century. Flowers 6 inches and over in diameter, of a clear rose-pink color; a strong grower with long stiff stems, fine for cutting. Plants ready April 15th. 50 cents each.

Scarlet Century. Brilliant scarlet, golden disc.

Sunset. Yellow suffused with old-gold and salmon, distinct and desirable. Plants ready April 15th. 25 cts. each.

Twentieth Century. Early in the season an intense rosy-crimson, shading gradually to almost white on the edges and a light halo around the disc. As the season advances the flowers become lighter, changing to almost pure white, suffused with soft pink.

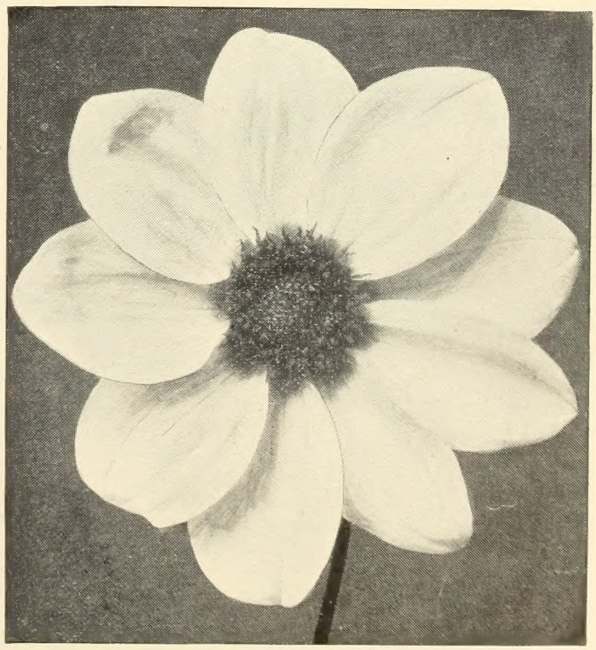
White Century. Pure white, with large, heavy, overlapping petals of good texture. 35 cts. each.

Price. Except where noted, 20 cts. each; $2.00 per doz.; $15.00 per 100. One each of the 13 varieties for $3.00.

STANDARD SINGLE DAHLIAS

Advancement. Ruby-red with rose halo and yellow centre.
Alba Superba. Fine large white with a dash of canary-yellow at base of petals.
Ami Barrilet. Rich pure garnet with fine dark foliage.
Anemone. Pure white Anemone Japonica-like flowers.
Blackbird. Black velvety-maroon with a bright red spot at the base of each petal.
Emma. Very free orange-buff. Plants ready April 15th.
Frau Irene Heinemann. Centre of petals white with a broad border of purplish-crimson, sometimes tipped with crimson; pretty in either form.
Frau Van der Zypen. Centre of petals pure white, with a broad band of orange-scarlet on each edge of the broad petal.
Furst Manoukbey. Orange-buff with a narrow edge of bright scarlet; distinct and pleasing.
Gaillardia. Golden yellow with a broad red band around the golden disc, resembling *Gaillardia Grandiflora.*
Gracie. White, delicately suffused with blush and a primrose halo around the disc.
Lustre. Rosy-pink shading to blush at the centre. 25 cts. each.
Mrs. Bowman. Solferino, a large showy flower.
Polly Eccles. Pure apricot with yellow shadings, a halo of poppy-red surrounding the Indian-yellow-disc.
Record. Ground color pure yellow, the centre of each petal flamed and marked with pure scarlet.
Striking. Garnet, each petal tipped with white.
St. George. A pretty primrose-yellow.
Wildfire. Brilliant poppy-scarlet of large size.

Price. Any of the above, except where noted, 15 cts. each; $1.50 doz.; $10.00 per 100. Set of one each of 18 sorts $2.25.



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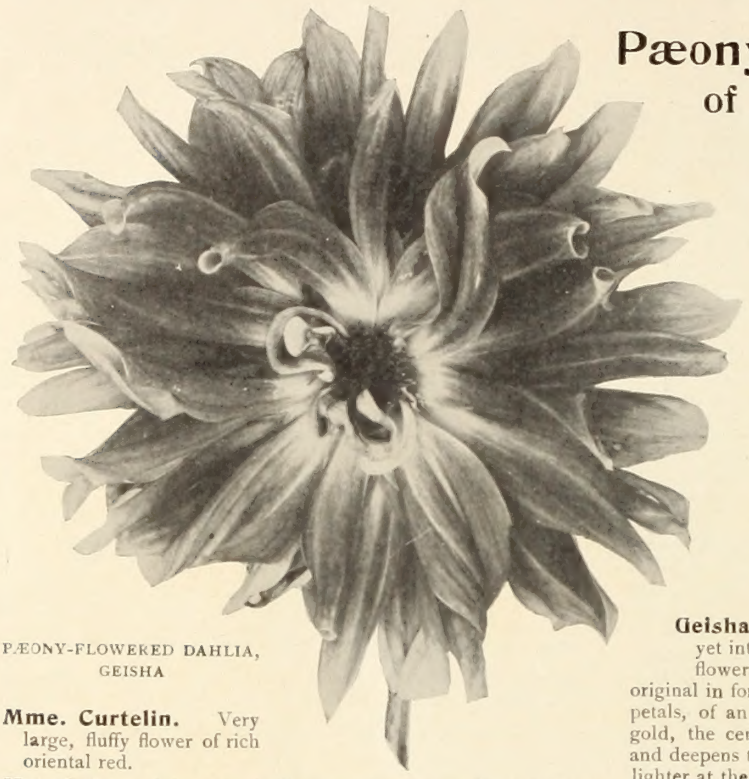


PÆONY-FLOWERED DAHLIA, GEISHA

Pæony-flowered Dahlias
of recent introduction

This beautiful type is now very popular. The artistic flowers are very large, and are best compared to the semi-double Pæonies in general form. They all flower very freely, and are borne on long, strong stems, making excellent material for cutting, as well as for garden decoration.

Antoine Rivoire. A brilliant ox-blood-red with crimson shadings.

Andrew Carnegie. A fine lively rose pink.

Bertha von Suttner. Exceptionally large flowers of a salmon-pink color with yellow suffusion. 50 cts. each.

Colonel Cody. Deep apricot buff with salmon-pink shadings. 75 cts. each.

Cæsar. A splendid canary-yellow. 75 cts. each.

Corallina. A beautiful coral-red, very large.

Fez. Immense semi-double madder-red tipped amaranth. 50 cts. each.

Geisha. The showiest and most attractive of this type yet introduced; of strong growth, with the rich colored flowers standing well above the foliage. These are original in form, consisting of peculiarly twisted and curled petals, of an effective and rich combination of scarlet and gold, the centre being yellow, which becomes suffused with and deepens to scarlet at the centre of the petals, shading off lighter at the edges.

London. Large bright crimson. 50 cts. each.

Mrs. J. B. Riding. A brilliant fiery-red, with twisted and pointed petals. 50 cts. each.

Princess Royal. Yellow overlaid with a rosy sheen. 50c.

Porcupine. White ground flushed with soft rose. 50 cts.

Rabat. Enormous flowers of a dark rich purple. 75 cts.

Ironmonger. Lavender with white shadings.

Mme. Curtelin. Very large, fluffy flower of rich oriental red.

Mannheim. Salmon pink illuminated with a golden sheen.

Magnet. Rose suffused with white.

Philadelphia. In form this is a semi-double Cactus of giant size, color rich reddish-purple with brighter shadings, suffused and marked with white; very free flowering and gay.

Rheingau. Large, showy brilliant scarlet.

Rev. H. J. Kitchen. Exquisite mauve-pink with sulphur-yellow markings.

Price. Any of the above except where noted, in plants only, ready April 15th. 35 cts. each; $3.50 per doz. One each of the 20 varieties for $7.50.

Standard Varieties
Pæony-flowered Dahlias

Cleopatra. Rich oriental red. base of petals primrose-yellow; very effective.

Duke Henry. Brilliant carmine red.

Fellberg. A splendid large white.

Germania. Brilliant strawberry-red, a very fluffy, artistic flower.

Glory of Groenekan. Very large orange-yellow.

King Leopold. Primrose, shading lighter at edges.

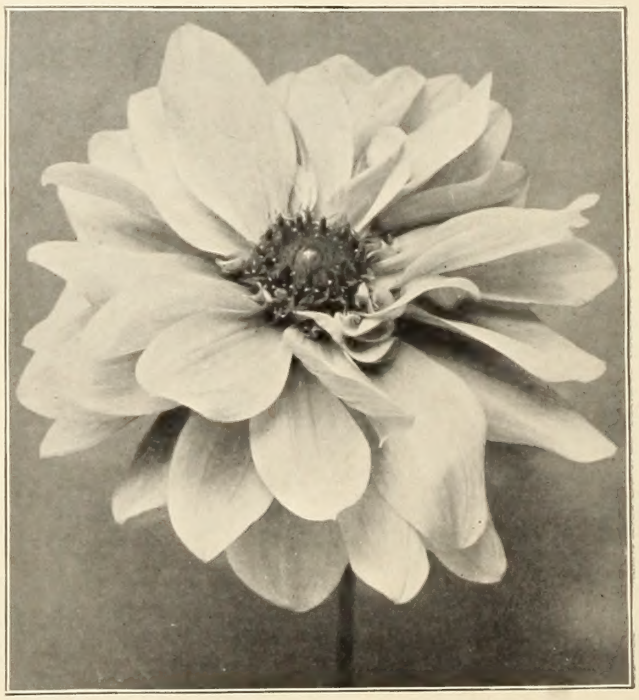
Queen Emma. A magnificent sort of a charming shade of mallow or Hollyhock pink, the inner petals banded with gold.

Queen Wilhelmina. Immense, fluffy flower of pure white with yellow centre.

Riesen Edelweiss. Pure glistening white, frequently 6 inches across.

Solfatere. Brilliant carmine with yellow centre.

Price. Any of the above, 25 cts. each; $2.50 per doz. Set of 10 varieties for $2.00.



PÆONY-FLOWERED DAHLIA, QUEEN WILHELMINA

French Collerette DAHLIAS

GROUP OF COLLERETTE DAHLIAS

The Collerette Dahlia when first introduced about ten years ago attracted considerable attention as a distinct type, but represented as they were by only a few small flowered varieties they did not become very popular; but recently French specialists have given us many beautiful improved forms, some with very large flowers and with delightful color combinations and from which we have selected the varieties here offered. These are all sorts which have been shown extensively last year at the European Dahlia Shows where they have met with great favor and we feel confident that they will meet with the same approval here. The flowers are single, having one row of petals, with an additional row of short petals around the disc which forms a frill or collar and which is usually of a different color from the rest of the flower.

Comte Nodler. Large perfect flowers, deep satiny purple-garnet with sulphur-yellow centre, collar rays also sulphur-yellow shading to white on the tips. 50 cts. each.

Comte Cheremeteff. Vermilion-red shading to orange at tips; creamy-white collar. 25 cts. each.

Director Rene Gerard. Flowers 5 inches in diameter and perfect, ground color creamy-white suffused and marked with French purple; very long narrow creamy-white collar petals. 50 cts. each.

Duchesse Melzi d'Eril. Entirely distinct, a brilliant orange-scarlet, suffused and marked with bright vermilion, collar petals a mottling of blush-white, purplish-violet and red. 25 cts. each.

Diomede. Ground white, suffused and touched with blotches of brilliant purple-red, centre yellow, collar petals white, very attractive. 50 cts. each.

Exposition de Lyon. A very gay flower of a bright garnet, with clear yellow collar petals. 25 cts. each.

Goldstern. A pretty self-colored deep canary-yellow, both ray and collar petals being of the same color. 50 cts. each.

Harman Payne. Brownish-red suffused with yellow on the edges, collar petals white with carmine markings. Plants ready April 15th. 50 cts. each.

Henri Farman. Brilliant cardinal-red with velvety shadings, frequently edged with creamy-yellow and large halo of same color surrounding the golden disc, collar petals creamy-yellow. 50 cts. each.

La Fusee. Deep ox-blood-red, the collar of same color marked with white. 25 cts. each.

Lichtblick. Clear lemon-yellow narrow petals, the collar pale yellow, flowers of tulip-like form. Plants ready April 15th. 50 cts. each.

Mme. Gygax. Very conspicuous on account of its rich coloring; a bright cochineal-red passing to yellow tips and exceptionally long primrose-yellow collar petals. 50 cts. each.

Mme. E. Poirier. Deep purple suffused with lighter shades which gives it a violet-blue effect, collar petals white. The nearest approach to a blue. Plants ready April 15th. 50 cts. each.

Mme. Capron. One of the largest, a brilliant reddish-purple, collar petals unusually large of same color but striped and marked with white, very distinct. Plants ready April 15th. 50 cts. each.

Meteor. Deep cardinal-red occasionally tipped with creamy-yellow, collar petals sulphur-yellow. 25 cts. each.

Mons. L. Ferard. Flowers perfect, 4½ inches in diameter, ground color rich purplish-garnet, edged and marked white, collar white with carmine markings. Plants ready April 15th. 50 cts. each.

M. Mery de Montigny. Very large cerise flowers suffused with rosy-violet at the tips, collar petals rose color. Plants ready April 15th. 50 cts. each.

Maurice Rivoire. Ox-blood red with deeper shadings in the centre of petals and a pure white fringed collar. 25c. each.

President Viger. Rich claret, shading lighter towards the edges, with pure white collar. 15 cts. each.

Rheinkrone. Satiny-crimson petals of cactus form with long collar petals carmine-rose marked and tipped white. 25 cts. each.

Signorina Rosa Esengrini. Heavy shell-like petals forming a large perfect flower of a bright lemon-yellow suffused and marked with orange-scarlet, collar petals very abundant of a bright lemon-yellow. Plants ready April 15th. 50 cts. each.

Sirius. Rich garnet with pure white collar petals. Plants ready April 15th. 50 cts. each.

Souvenir de Rene Bernardeau. Bright carmine with sulphur-yellow centre, collar petals of same color suffused with carmine. Plants ready April 15th. 50 cts. each.

Souvenir de Chabanne. Very showy, 5 to 6 inches in diameter, ground color lemon-yellow with coral-red markings, collar petals very abundant and long, lemon-yellow tipped white. Plants ready April 15th. 50 cts. each.

Price. One each of the above 24 varieties, a most interesting collection, for $7.50.

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